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study?

SENATOR JENSEN: What was the question, sir?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Senator Hartnett spoke earlier about cigarettes coming in from Mexico, was that looked at in that study, in this study that you're referencing under Internet sales?

SENATOR JENSEN: When it...when it said out-of-state sales, I would imagine some of those sales were in Mexico.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: I...do they measure underg...what Senator Cunningham referred to underground cigarettes?

SENATOR JENSEN: Um...

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: I guess that couldn't be measured.

SENATOR JENSEN: Well...still all...overall, only 5.4 percent avoided the excise tax in purchasing cigarettes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Earlier you mentioned, Senator, state of Washington voters voted to implement some type of tax increase.

SENATOR JENSEN: That is correct.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: And you have here, several poll numbers with re...with regard to Nebraska. You have poll numbers here.

SENATOR JENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: I guess it's supposed to lead us to believe that citizens, or voters, of the state of Nebraska would vote this in if it were put on a ballot...

SENATOR JENSEN: That is correct.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: ...message. I'm having a hard time with that philosophy. We had, I think it was yesterday, the gambling issue. And, in and of itself, the fact that Nebraska voters